

**761—635.2(321) Approved course in motorcycle rider education.**

**635.2(1)** Any entity providing motorcycle rider education to persons under the age of 18 for purposes of early licensing or seeking reimbursement under Iowa Code subsection 321.180B(6) for providing motorcycle rider education to persons aged 18 and older must teach the motorcycle rider education course approved by the department.

**635.2(2)** A sponsor must receive approval from the department prior to the beginning of the first class offered and annually thereafter. Private or commercial sponsors must also be licensed by the department prior to the beginning of the first class that is offered and annually thereafter. Application for license issuance or renewal shall be made to the department on forms provided by the department. The fee for a license or the renewal of a license is \$25 for a private or a commercial sponsor. The fee must be paid by cash, money order or check. A money order or check must be for the exact amount and should be made payable to the Treasurer, State of Iowa, or the Department of Transportation.

**635.2(3)** The approved course uses a nationally recognized, research-based curriculum. Only persons successfully completing all elements of the approved course shall be issued an Iowa certificate of completion for motorcycle rider education. Issuance of an Iowa certificate of completion to persons who do not successfully complete the approved course is cause for revocation of the instructor's license and denial of reimbursement to the sponsor for each student involved.

**635.2(4)** Prior to the beginning of on-cycle instruction, a student enrolled in the approved course must be at least 14 years of age, possess a valid driver's license as defined in Iowa Code section 321.1, be able to touch the ground with the balls of both feet while sitting astride the training motorcycle, and complete the motorcycle safety course waiver form, including the signature of a parent or legal guardian if the student is under the age of 18.

**635.2(5)** The scheduled time for instruction—classroom, on-cycle, or a combination of both—shall not exceed eight hours in any one calendar day. During on-cycle instruction, a student shall wear a U.S. DOT-approved helmet, an eye-protective device, and protective clothing, including gloves, a long-sleeved shirt or jacket, long pants, and shoes or boots that cover the feet and ankles.

**635.2(6)** The student-instructor ratio for classroom instruction shall not exceed 36 to 1. No more than 12 students may receive on-cycle instruction at one time on a single full-size range. The student-instructor ratio for on-cycle instruction shall not exceed 6 to 1.

**635.2(7)** A driving range used for on-cycle instruction must be paved, free of hazards to motorcycle travel, and have an unobstructed, paved runoff of at least 20 feet in all directions.

*a. and b.* Rescinded IAB 9/4/02, effective 10/9/02.

**635.2(8)** The sponsor shall provide for each student engaged in on-cycle instruction one fully operational motorcycle manufactured for highway use. Each motorcycle must meet two of the following three criteria:

- a.* Have an engine displacement that does not exceed 500 cubic centimeters.
- b.* Have an unladen weight that does not exceed 400 pounds.
- c.* Have a seat height that does not exceed 30 inches.

**635.2(9)** The driving test for a Class M driver's license or a motorcycle endorsement may be waived under 761—subrule 604.31(2) provided the applicant has successfully completed the approved course.